--- 20 Cigarettes - “Gregory Stuart Tobacco”, Toronto - [2-50E] - 1943 ---

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“GREGORY-STUART TOBACCO CO., LTD., TORONTO, ONT. - No. CG177B
small type, 20 cigarettes, perforated - surcharged with black 6 x 2 mm. slug and
6 mm. Gothic figure **8** and letter **c.** in one line; hand-stamped (?)”.

★**RC-661** - **= 8c.** over **4c. / EXCISE / TAX** on 20 cigarettes, perf 11,
the 1943 company re-surcharge of **RC-636** in black ink by “Gregory Stuart Tobacco”, Toronto
[scanned at 200% scale]

The CRS description is fairly accurate, except that the killer is actually formed from *two parallel horizontal 6 x 1 mm. black slugs*. The stamp probably comes from March 1943 and is uncancelled - but as most manufacturers ceased code dating in June / July 1942 this is not significant.

The only other example of cigarette production from Gregory Stuart Tobacco is an empty fifty cigarette box of **Dunhill** cigarettes with a copy of the perforated BABN **20c. / EXCISE TAX** surcharged **RC-802** also from 1943, or later, which is without a cancellation.

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